

House Bill 527 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Horne of the 71st, Barnard of the 166th, and Mitchell of the 88th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agreements for probation services, so as to preclude registration fees for private or governmental probation services registering with the County and Municipal Probation Advisory Council; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agreements for probation services, is amended by revising paragraphs (a)(1) and (b)(1) of Code Section 42-8-107, relating to registration with the County and Municipal Probation Advisory Council, as follows:

"(a)(1) All private corporations, private enterprises, and private agencies contracting or offering to contract for probation services shall register with the council before entering into any contract to provide services. The information included in such registration shall include the name of the corporation, enterprise, or agency, its principal business address and telephone number, the name of its agent for communication, and other information in such detail as the council may require. No registration fee shall be required."

"(b)(1) All counties, municipalities, and consolidated governments agreeing or offering to agree to establish a probation system shall register with the council before entering into an agreement with the court to provide services. The information included in such registration shall include the name of the county, municipality, or consolidated government, the principal business address and telephone number, a contact name for communication with the council, and other information in such detail as the council may require. No registration fee shall be required."

1 **SECTION 2.**

2 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2007.

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.